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Wealth can be measured in many ways. I consider myself blessed and a wealthy person. I have a vigorous and dynamic family, and enjoy good health. I have lived in and loved Hawai'i all my life.

From the crest of Mauna Kea the cold of the snow goddess Poliahu has chilled my soul. My heart has pounded the rhythm of a chanting drum while running across the blistering lava fields of Kona. Upon the peak of Haleakala I have felt the golden rays of dawn's sun caress these Islands. In the dark loneliness of Papalaua Valley on Molokai'i I have heard the wind whisper of ancient Hawai'i.

My back has ached from countless strokes while racing a koa canoe across the Kaiwi Channel. In the shadow of Konahuanui I have felt the warrior's ghosts. I have danced with the waves in the soft light of a full moon night. I have glided across the face of azure walls of water while surfing the mystical waves of these Islands of Hawai'i.

I am a child of Hawaii.

All of this is my wealth.